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Mail Stop RCE
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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 28, 2004 ("Office Action"), reconsideration is requested in light of the following. A notice of appeal had previously been timely filed and received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO") on March 4, 2005. A five month extension of time is requested, and a petition therefor is filed herewith. The period for response after a Notice of Appeal is measured from the date of its receipt by the PTO (MPEP 1206). Accordingly, this response and accompanying RCE are timely filed.

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Amendments to the claims begin on page 3 of this response.

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